



# Sutton Park School Newsletter – 5 April 2023

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**Nga mihi, malo e lelei, talofa lava, kia orana, bula, namaste, talofa ni, Fakalofa lahi atu, sabiadee, ola, bonjour, ni hao, welcome, konichi wa**

## Welcome to Term 1, Week 10

**Concept:** **KAITIAKITANGA** **Value:** **IDENTITY**

### Hosting Robert Louis Stevenson School

Tomorrow our students will have the opportunity to host students and staff from Robert Louis Stevenson School in Samoa. Our visitors will be with us from 9:30am and we will welcome them with a powhiri. The students will also have a cultural exchange and share some items. If you are able to join us, you are most welcome.

### Term 2

Be advised that Term 2 starts on Wednesday 26 April. The staff are having a curriculum planning day on Monday 24 April, followed by the ANZAC memorial day on Tuesday 25 April. School will start as per normal on Wednesday.

### Many Thanks

We had a very busy term, with many outdoor education experiences and interschool events throughout. The staff would not have been able to provide some of these experiences for our students if it was not for your help. I would like to thank those of you who have been generous with your time and offered to help out.

I would also like to acknowledge the wonderful commitment from our students who are Travelwise Leaders and Traffic Wardens. These students, before and after school, continue to be on duty to ensure our students are safe by the road at the front of the school. A million thanks.

Our staff continue to make learning fun for our students, and the creation of good classroom cultures help make our students feel affirmed and safe.

### Attendance

Our school attendances throughout the term has been very pleasing. I would like to thank you for the effort in getting our students to school. I would also like to acknowledge the efforts from our students as well.

Good school attendance has a definite accumulative effect on students' learning and achievements. The more a student is at school, the easier it is to maintain learning progress and achievement.

### Best attendance for Week 9..... and this week:

Whenua R5 (83%)	R13A (93%)
Moana R6B (92%)	R6 (96%)
Aorangi R9A (93%)	R16 (95%)
Atea R15 (97%)	R10 (99%)

### Dental Van

This will be at school again early Term 2. The main reason for their early return next term, is to lift the standard of oral hygiene among our students. Many children are requiring fillings owing to a high sugar diet.

**Iosua Esera, Principal**

**Week 10:** Dental van onsite / Life Education caravan on site  
Thur. 6 April: **Last Day of Term 1**

### Term 2 Dates

Here are the important dates and associated events planned for Term 2. Please add these on to your family calendar, as your presence at some of these is appreciated:

#### Week 1:

Monday 24 April: Teacher Only Day - School Closed  
Tuesday 25 April: ANZAC Day - School closed

#### **Wednesday 26 April: Term 2 starts**

Thur. 27 April: Y7&8 Orienteering

#### **Week 4 - Assessment week**

Tues. 16 May: Y7&8 Girls' Football

#### **Week 5 – Assessment week**

Tues: 23 May: Y7&8 Boys' Football; Duffy role model assembly

#### **Week 6 – Samoan Language Week**

Tues. 30 May: Y7&8 Girls' Rugby

#### **Week 7:**

Mon. 5 June: King's Birthday Holiday -school closed

Tues. 6 June: Y7&8 Boys' Rugby;

Positive Puberty Plus - Whanau info. talk at 3.30pm

Thur. 8 June: Positive Puberty Plus - Talk for Y7&8

#### **Week 8 – Y7&8 Leadership Camp**

Mon. 12 June: Students leave for camp

Thur. 15 June: Positive Puberty Plus -Talk for Y5&6

Friday 16 June: Students return from camp

#### **Week 10**

Wed. 28 June: E-sport competition

### Art Show

Yesterday, the Aorangi Syndicate held an art exhibition in the hall. There were many colourful and creative pieces of art on display.



Above: R21 with their plant pots and pen holders; Below: Art by R12





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Kia ora koutou,

*How do we get autism support right in Aotearoa New Zealand?*

We want to understand your experiences and opinions of current supports and what you think is needed for the future.

**Have your say!** Take part in an anonymous survey that will take up to 20 minutes for most people to complete.

The survey is open to autistic people, parents/carers, family/whānau, professionals, researchers, and policy makers. You can go in the draw to win one of 100 Prezzy Cards valued at \$25 each.

To find out more and to complete the survey online click [here](#), or copy the following address into your web browser: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RGMMRLZ> You can also find the information on our [Facebook page](#).

### Counties Manukau West Bluelight - Family Fishing Day

If tamariki are keen to learn how to fish, go along to the Family Fishing Day at Mangere Bridge on Tuesday 18 April, 10am-2pm.

There'll be free handlines and baits to use...as well as a free sausage sizzle :-)

### McAuley Catholic High School

2024 enrolments are now open. Application forms are available at the office. The closing date for non-preference is 6 April 2023 (tomorrow) and for preference is 30 June 2023 (Last day of Term 2).



Rm 14 and some of R18 on the top of Te Pane o Mataoho, which they visited and learnt about on Friday last week.



### Birthdays for this week and during the holidays!

Last week: Kiana R12 Today: Anthony R5

Thursday: Costner R21

During the holidays: Losaline R9A, Matea R12, Ephraim R6B, Nafetelai R6, Abbey R6, Evander R21 and Elixir R24,

Talita R9A, Aaron R20, Eztarahmarie R3, Saif R12, Riana R11, Yosh-Bert R3, Fatafehi R9A, Jae R10, Ferdyal R16, Kieran R14, Liakruz R25, Salesi R6, Tevita R9A, Lafaele R7, Melenaite R9, Penelope R13A, Halatoa R3, Selaima R12, Technology R6B, Davai R21, Reginald R11, Ailine R11, Christian R18 and Sione T. R8

### Welcome to our New Students

Penelope R13A and Noah R13A

We hope your learning journey at SPS leads to great things!



### Duffy Survey

Kia ora, our names are Jacinta and Shengnan. We are researchers at the University of Auckland, Faculty of Education and Social Work. We would like to collect some information about your experiences with **Duffy Books in Homes** programme.

These surveys will help the University of Auckland research team to better understand your experiences with Duffy books in homes. They are voluntary and confidential and are your chance to have your say, give feedback and suggest ways to improve the overall experience.

We are inviting parents to complete an **online anonymous parents survey** which takes about **5-10 minutes** to complete. All completed parent surveys go into the draw for 1 of 20 \$50 Prezzy vouchers.

Parents also have the option to complete, with their child, the **online anonymous student survey**. All completed student surveys go into the draw for 1 of 20 \$20 Prezzy vouchers.

If you are interested, we invite you to read the [Participant Information Sheet](#) for more information about the study. Completing this survey is voluntary. Submission of the online survey is taken as consent to participate.

Enter the survey using the links:

#### Parent survey

[https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_elcbzrB0GMxhcsS](https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_elcbzrB0GMxhcsS)

#### Year 1-3 student survey

[https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6WptBGrUAX4AaCq](https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6WptBGrUAX4AaCq)

#### Year 4-6 student survey

[https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eJK7II5FbuEnYVM](https://auckland.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eJK7II5FbuEnYVM)



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